NEWMAN & MASTER

January 16, 1949

I.B.S.
c/o Station WCKR
Columbia University
New York City, New York

Dear Sir:

It has recently come to my attention through one of the members of our staff that a station in Hickory, North Carolina is now in operation using the call letters WHRC.

I am of the opinion that our call letters are registered with the F.C.C. through your office, and that under this registration system we are guaranteed that a station opening after the registration date is legally not entitled to use the same call letters. The Hickory station began operations last spring, after we had been registered.

We have not notified the Hickory station regarding the identification of our call letters as yet, pending information from your office on our position. Will you, therefore, inform me what steps are to be taken concerning this matter?

I believe you may obtain verification of the matter through a commercial listing of broadcasting stations and their call letters, or from the F.C.C. You might verify it before contacting me. If you should take the matter up directly as I.B.S. with the F.C.C., please let me know your intention.

I shall be glad to further inform you, or to carry on the negotiations through this office, sending you a copy of what information we receive. Let me know how we stand.

Sincerely,

Andrew Knowlton, WHRC

NEWMAN & MASTER

January 18, 1949

I.R.S.
c/o Station WCKR
Columbia University
New York City, New York

Dear Sir:

It has recently come to my attention through one of the members of our staff that a station in Hickory, North Carolina is now in operation using the call letters WHKG.

I am of the opinion that our call letters are registered with the F.C.C. through your office, and that under this registration system we are guaranteed that a station opening after the registration date is legally not entitled to use the same call letters. The Hickory station began operations last spring, after we had been registered.

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